

REMARKS

The claims are amended to improve grammar and make the claims more consistent with U.S. patent practice.

A clause from claim 3 has been removed and re-written as dependent claim 54. A clause from claim 4 has been removed and re-written as dependent claim 55. Claim 44 has been cancelled and replaced with new dependent claims 56 and 57. Claim 45 has been cancelled and rewritten as new claim 58. Claim 52 has been cancelled and rewritten as new claim 59. Claim 53 has been cancelled and rewritten as new claim 60.

Description from originally filed claims has been reformatted and new claims have been added as appropriate with recitation from cancelled claims to improve clarity. No new matter has been added by amendment.

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CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments be made before examination of the present application. A first office action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,



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